(f) whether the reservation policy for SC/ST and OBC would be followed in the said recruitment?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUNSINGH):(a)to(c) As sufficient number of empanelled candidates were available for recruitment, no advertisement for general category of candidates was made. Orders are issued from the available panels for filling up of the existing vacancies.

(d) and (e) The main suggestions of the All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association were as follows;

(i) The promotion and direct recruitment ratio should be made at least made 50:50 and later 75:25.

(ii) There should be separate select panels for promotion and direct recruitment and the present pattern of putting the promotees above all the direct recruits should be changed and the system should be modified to have two promotees and one direct recruit in rotation throughout the chain.

(iii) There is different dynamics of teachers of Science and Humanities streams which should be corrected.

(iv) Music, Yoga, Physical Education, Drawing Teachers etc. should all be made Trained Graduate Teachers in their respective areas in the relevant scale. Promotion from Vice-Principal to Principal should be on the basis of seniority-cum-fitness and not seniority-cum-merit as at present.

(v) The posting on promotion of Post Graduate Teachers, Vice-Principals and Principals outside the State should be abolished.

(vi) The pre-revised criteria of lua-tion should be restored..

(vii) There should be a 75:25 or 0:50 weightage for academic qualifications and interview performance on a 100 point scale.

(viii) 10 years teaching experience for the post of Principal. The Principals' post should also be open for promotion to TGTs and PRTs.

The Sangathan considered *inter-alia* the recommendations of an expert Committee and decided as follows:

(i) that for academic qualifications, status-quo as recommended by the expert committee may be maintained.

(ii) regarding the evaluation criteria, to accept the modifications suggested by the committee.

(iii) the trial appointees without a training qualification to acquire the same within two years extendable to maximum of 5 years as recommended by the Committee.

(f) Reservation directives of Government of India or SC/ST are being followed.

C.G.H.S. Facilities to Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers

1474. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that C.G.H.S, facilities have not been extended to teaching employees of Kendriya Vidyalayas; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, which is an Autonomous Body under the Government of India, is following broadly the medical attendance rules of Government of India for reimbursement of medical expenses etc. The employees of the Sangathan are not automatically eligible to be covered by C. G. H. S. facility.

However, the C. G. H. S. facilities with the prior concurrence of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have been allowed to:—

(i) employees of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan serving in Sangathan (Hqurs.> and its Regional Office in Delhi.

(ii) employees of Regional offices of the Sangathan in Madras, Bombay, Hyderabad and Calcutta; and

(iii) staff of some Kendriya Vidyalayas in Delhi , Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, Hyderabad and Bangalore residing in certain selected areas.

LAB Assistants in Kendriya Vidyalaya

1475. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Laboratory Assistant in Kendriya Vidyalayas are

entitled to Teaching Allowance Admissible to teachers of different categories; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not extending to them senior scale and selection scales at par with teachers?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The qualification and job requirements are different.

Indian student facing difficulty in USSR

1476. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has be drawn to the news-item captioned 'Food scarcity' prices hit students' dated 17th February, 1992 which appeared in Hindu;

(b) if so, the steps being taken to alleviate the difficulties of Indian students in erstwhile USSR;

(c) whether Government propose to grant any concessional travel facility to them ; and

(d) the measures being taken to strengthen this unique area of cooperation in education with all C.I.S. nation ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. It was brought to the notice of the Government that some of the students were experiencing difficulties. The Government have also through the Ministry of External Affairs taken up this matter with the Republics of the former USSR.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development have, on the advice of the Indian Embassy in Moscow, sanctioned emergency assistance of Rs. 500/- per month per student in hard currency to students officially sponsored by Deptt, of Education and still pursuing then-studies in the erstwhile USSR for the period from December, 1991 to March, 1992. Besides, on the advice of the Ministry of External Affairs, the Reserve Bank of India has issued instructions to the Banks and Foreign Exchange dealers to allow parents and guardians of all students already studying in the former USSR to remit upto US Dollars 50 per month. The Reserve Bank of India has also authorised the purchase of tickets to return from Moscow to India in Indian rupees.

According to information received from the Indian Embassy in Moscow, the Heads of Government of the Common-wealth of Independent States have recently decided to reaffirm the coorres-ponding agreements of the former USSR regarding foreign students and to begin working out new documents in this regard.

Reconstitution of National Youth Council

1477. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY : Will the Minister of Human RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstrarred Question 3405 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th December, 1991 and state.

(a) by when the National Youth Council is likely to be re-constituted; and

(b) what would be the proposed strength of the new Council and the proposed qualification for members to be nominated to the Council ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DE PARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE) : (a) and (b) The Government has recently decided to revise the constitution and structure of National Youth Council and re-name it as Committee for National Youth Pro-grammes. The proposed strength of this Committee may not exceed 50 and it will include representatives from National level political parties, young members of Parliament State Youth Ministers, voluntary organisations working for youth and a few youth representa-tives. No specific qualifications as such are laid down for members of the Committee. The new Committee is likely to be constituted soon.

मध्य प्रदेश में नवोदय विद्यालय

1478. श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय : क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सरकार ने मध्य प्रदेश के किन-किन जिलों में नवोदय विद्यालय खोलने की स्वीकृति दे दी है; और